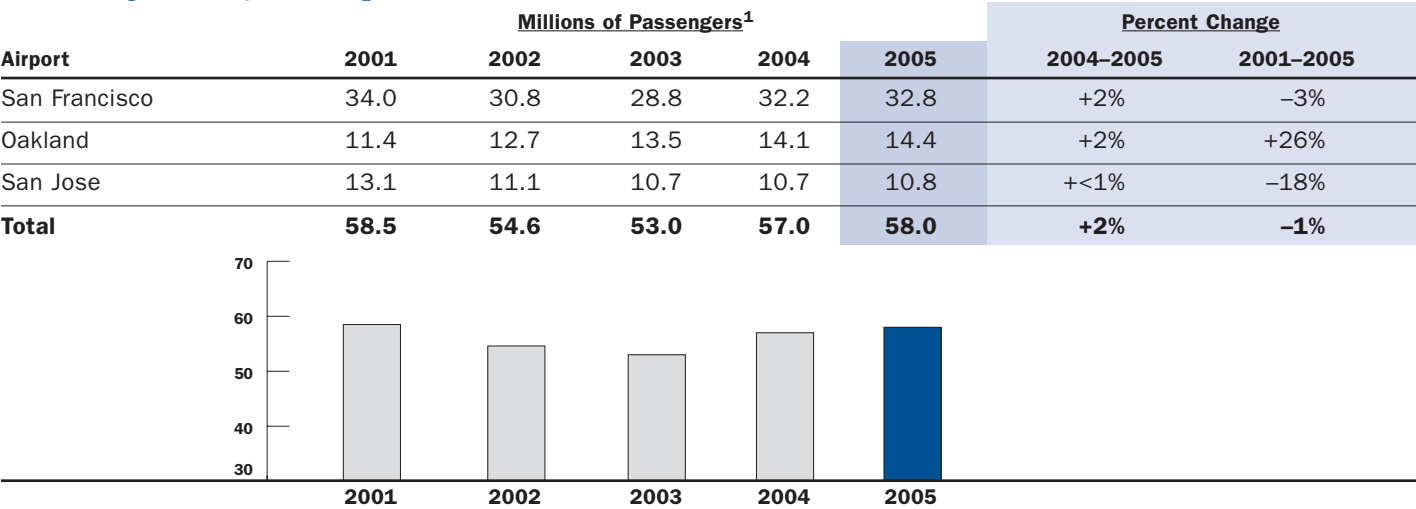


Air Passenger and Cargo Volumes Barely Budge in 2005; Both Measures Still Below 2001 Levels

- Passenger and cargo activity at Bay Area airports inched forward in 2005, with both categories recording growth rates in the 1 to 2 percent range. However, this is only the second time — 2004 being the first — since 2000 that both measures increased in any given year. Neither air passenger nor air cargo volumes have returned to the levels reached in 2000, before the collapse of the dot-com boom and the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.
- San Francisco International Airport (SFO) continues to process more than half the region’s air passengers, and saw a slight 2 percent increase in 2005 passenger figures. At San Jose International Airport, air passenger volume was essentially flat. Passenger levels at both SFO and San Jose International are still below 2001 figures, down 3 percent and 18 percent respectively.

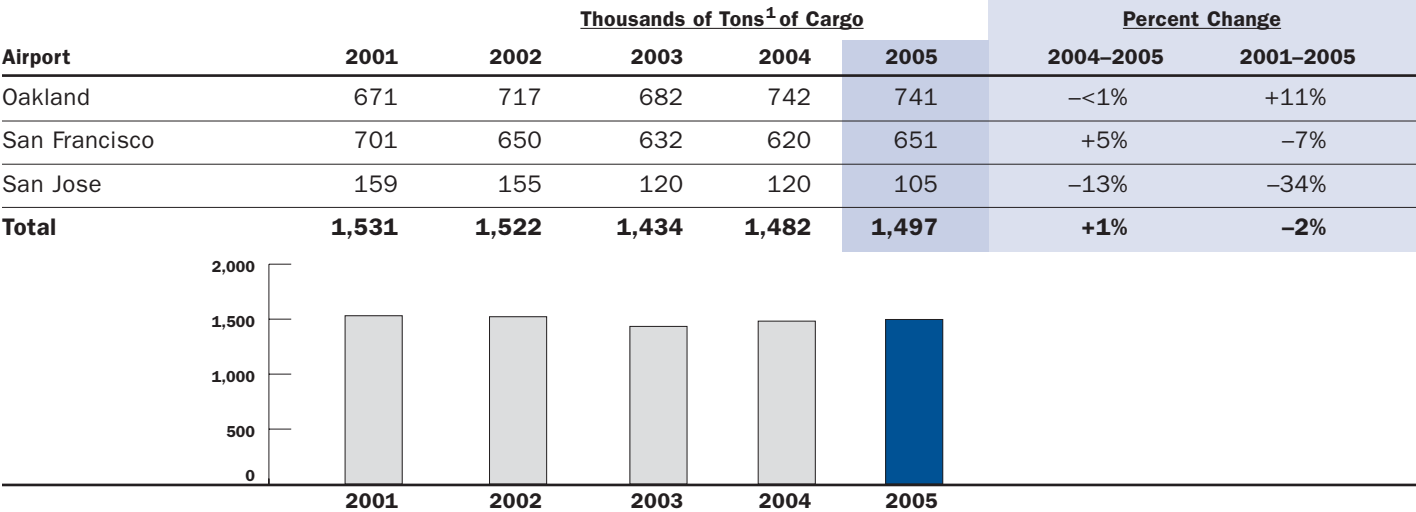
Air Passengers at Bay Area Airports, 2001–2005



Sources: Port of Oakland, San Jose International Airport, San Francisco International Airport.
¹Measured by enplanements and deplanements.

- Oakland International Airport has bucked regional and national aviation trends and has experienced a 26 percent increase in passengers since 2001. While 2005 saw a leveling off of passenger growth at Oakland International — an increase of only 2 percent — the airport now accounts for 25 percent of the regional air passenger market, compared to a 20 percent market share in 2001.
- Air cargo volume in the region grew by 1 percent in 2005, but is still 2 percent below 2001 figures. San Francisco International was the only airport to report a measurable increase in 2005, with volumes rising 5 percent. San Jose International continued its recent downward trend, losing 13 percent of its volume from 2004. Oakland International cargo activity held steady in 2005, but since 2001 Oakland's air cargo volumes have increased 11 percent. This has helped the region to nearly offset the 7 percent and 34 percent decreases at San Francisco and San Jose International Airports, respectively, over the same time period.

Air Cargo at Bay Area Airports, 2001–2005



Sources: Port of Oakland, San Jose International Airport, San Francisco International Airport
¹One ton = 2,000 pounds